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SUBJECT: BRITISH LABOR PARTY REPORTED READY TO ESTABLISH
FORMAL CONTACTS WITH PCI

1. SOCIALIST PARTY DAILY AVANTI* ON MAY 17 CARRIED AN ARTICLE DATED LONDON REPORTING A DECISION BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BRITISH LABOR PARTY TO ESTABLISH FORMAL CONTACTS WITH THE ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY (PCI). THE DECISION, ALLEGEDLY MADE AFTER A LONG PERIOD OF UNCERTAINTY AS TO WHAT TO DO, IS PICTURED AS A VICTORY FOR THE LEFT-WING OF THE LABOR PARTY.

2. ACCORDING TO AVANTI*, A PRELIMINARY CONTACT WITH THE PCI WILL BE MADE IN ROME IN JUNE DURING A MEETING OF THE SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL. THE ARTICLE POINTS OUT THAT INFORMAL CONTACTS BETWEEN PCI AND LABOR PARTY OFFICIALS HAVE OCCURRED IN THE PAST. IT ALSO NOTES THAT THE FOREIGN SECTION OF THE LABOR PARTY PREPARED A REPORT ON THE PCI IN WHICH THE CONCLUSION WAS REACHED THAT THE ECONOMIC PLANNING POSITIONS OF THE EURO-
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COMMUNISTS, AND PARTICULARLY THE PCI, ARE VERY CLOSE TO THOSE OF THE LABORITE.

3. THE BRITISH EMBASSY AT ROME IS UNAWARE OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED DECISION. HOWEVER, IT DOES KNOW OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE REPORT TO WHICH AVANTI* REFERS, AND AN EMBASSY SOURCE SUGGESTED THAT ITS CONCLUSIONS

ARE PROBABLY AS DESCRIBED IN THE ARTICLE.

4. PREDICTABLY, THE PCI DAILY L'UNITA ON MAY 18 GAVE
FRONT PAGE COVER TO THE AVANTI* STORY.
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